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SUBJ: JORDAN-US PRESS STATEMENT ON VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
OF DEFENSE ELLSWORTH

REF: AMMAN 6821

1. SUBJECT TO ANY AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS DESIRED BY DEPARTMENTS  
STATE AND DEFENSE, JAF AND EMBASSY PLAN TO ISSUE THE FOLLOWING  
AGREED US-GOJ PRESS STATEMENT AT 1000 HOURS LOCAL NOVEMBER 15,  
FOLLOWING ASST. SEC. ELLSWORTH'S DEPARTURE.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

JORDAN-US PRESS STATEMENT: VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
ROBERT ELLSWORTH:

A) ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY  
AFFAIRS, ROBERT ELLSWORTH, TOGETHER WITH MR. GEORGE VEST,  
DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF POLITICO-MILITARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT  
OF STATE: MR. JAMES NOYES, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
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FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS AND BRIGADIER GENERAL CHARLES

YOUREE (U.S. AIR FORCE) OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF VISITED  
JORDAN NOVEMBER 12 THROUGH NOVEMBER 15, 1974.

B) THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY CALLED UPON AND HELD  
PRODUCTIVE AND FRUITFUL TALKS WITH HIS MAJESTY KING HUSSEIN:  
PRIME MINISTER ZAID AL-RIFAI IN HIS CAPACITY AS MINISTER OF  
DEFENSE; FIELD MARSHAL HABIS AL-MAJAALI, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF  
OF THE JORDAN ARMED FORCES AND LT. GENERAL SHARIF ZEID BEN SHAKER,  
CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE JORDAN ARMED FORCES. IN ADDITION, HE  
VISITED THE HEADQUARTERS, SCHOOLS AND UNITS OF THE JORDAN ARMED  
FORCES. THE VISIT GAVE HIM A FIRST HAND OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THE  
JORDAN ARMED FORCES AND THE COUNTRY.

C) A MEETING OF THE DEFENSE AND SECURITY SECTIONS OF THE JORDAN-  
IAN-US JOINT COMMISSION WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 1974, UNDER  
THE JOINT CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE JORDANIAN  
ARMED FORCES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY ELLSWORTH. AT THIS MEETING  
THE MODERNIZATION PLAN OF THE JORDANIAN ARMED FORCES AND THE  
STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN THE FUTURE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS PLAN  
WERE DISCUSSED.

D) THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN WASHINGTON IN THE SPRING  
OF 1975. END TEXT.  
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